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Report
Under Miklos KECSENYI, former captain of General Staff. About 600 men originally organized for partisan warfare against Russians. About 50 in British Zone in Austria. KECSENYI and informers scattered throughout all Hungary and maintains regular courier service. British know about activities. The group is disintegrating rapidly for lack of food and other supplies. Courier service may be used by JICZ in Plan EDVARD.

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Estimated of some 30-40 men, including a proven informant.

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Group intends using Group, combined with KECSENYI's men. This group was originally part of the Hungarian paratrooper regiment under Gen. SZCZOTI. The services of this regiment were offered to the British. At the same time, the Hungarians requested the British to collect SZCZOTI and staff to them as war criminals. The British complied (expressing hostile sentiments among the paratroopers toward the British). The paratroopers then formed two groups - one under SZCZOTI and the other under KECSENYI, the latter group absorbed some of the other than the paratroopers. At the present time, the KECSENYI do not cooperate in any way with the British and have no contact with them whatsoever. The group is not supported by the British, directly or indirectly, and they suffer from malnutrition in the British Zone. The KECSENYI are expected to move across freely.

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